



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

NIXON PEABODY, LLP  
401 9TH STREET, NW  
SUITE 900  
WASHINGTON, DC 20004-2128

DATE: 10/07/2005

To: Applicant of Serial Number 10717899  
Filed on 21-NOV-2003  
(Art Unit 3623)

It is estimated that this application will receive an Office action in approximately 30 months. This is an estimate that is based on the current inventory level of applications filed in this art area and the current staffing levels in this Art Unit. The USPTO is dedicated to minimizing first action and total pendency, and we are targeting resources to help address backlogs in art areas with high new application filings. Thank you for your inquiry.

Customer Service Office in Technology Center: 3600

Phone Number: 571-272-3600  
Central Fax Number: 571-273-8300

Applicant/Attorney Contact Information:

Phone Number: 202-585-8204  
Fax Number: